

## WHAT'S NEW AT OREGON FLOWERS?

### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

#### KEEP IN MIND:

**Tulips:** Don't forget about Tulips! We are expanding out availability in January. You can look forward to solid colors, two tones, novelty and parrot tulips! Tulips are packed 30 bunches in a box.



### COMING SOON:

**Daffodils:** Spring is coming soon! Daffodils will be available the beginning of February in 10 stem bunches. Be sure to get some of the bright yellow spring flowers!



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## Hyacinths

Hyacinths are noted for their long lasting blooms and outstanding fragrance. We will start off the Hyacinth season in mid January with Atlantic (blue) Antarctica (white) and Anne Marie (Pink). We will have more colors available by Valentines Day including yellow, lavender, purple and peach.

What to expect: You may notice that a bunch of hyacinths seems a bit short. Why is this? We have found that if we harvest the hyacinths right before they begin

to bloom, they are less damaged in transport. We want to be sure that you receive the best



product possible, and we have found that shipping them at this stage prevents damage to the blooms. By placing them in water after you receive them, they will increase in length as they begin to blossom

How to Care for Hyacinths: When you open a box of hya-

cinths, you will notice that there are still roots on the end of the stems. By harvesting hyacinths in this manner, we get optimum performance from them. The flowers will last the longest and look the best if you take them straight from the box and place them in water. It is very important that you DO NOT cut the stems. Change the water often and enjoy the beautiful fragrance.



## Martin's Message...

### Happy New Year!

Here at the farm, we are busy adjusting to the new season. The Fall and Christmas colors and products are done. The lilies are looking good, and the timing of white for Christmas worked out pretty well this year. Hyacinths and tulips are starting up, which is always an exciting time.

The tulips bulbs from Holland are starting out a little slower this year, but by adjusting the pre-treatment temperature at our end, we will have the timing

right for Valentine's Day. This year we purchased around 60 different varieties of tulips. Some of the old standby's such as: Stronggold, Barcelona, and Ile de France, but also many new and exciting varieties. Pictures of all of our tulip varieties can be found on our website ([www.oregonflowers.com](http://www.oregonflowers.com)). Tulip varieties are divided into groups including single early; double early; single late; triumph, parrot, etc. Within these groups, some varieties force "better",

last longer, and develop nicer at different times of the forcing year.

Some of my favorite tulips varieties are: Super Parrot— white with green, not too tall, nice bunch; Orange Princess— double orange, a bit short sometimes, but is a long lasting tulips; Match and Switch— both pink with cream, tall, strong, new tulips; Snowlady— pure white, tall, green foliage and strong. These are just a few of the many varieties to look for this season!

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